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SUBJ: NATIONAL THEATER OF GREECE BICENTENNIAL PARTICIPATION

1. IN JANUARY 1974 GREEK IMPRESSARIO KRITAS VISITED U.S. AND WORKED OUT TENTATIVE PLANS WITH AMERICAN IMPRESSARIO ALEXANDER COHEN FOR NATIONAL THEATRE OF GREECE TO TOUR THREE TO FIVE AMERICAN CITIES AS PART OF GREECE'S CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. NO FORMAL INVITATION EVER EXTENDED TO NATIONAL THEATRE, THOUGH KRITAS STILL IN TOUCH WITH CITY CENTER IN NEW YORK WHERE TOUR WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NOVEMBER 10.

2. KRITAS RECENTLY LEARNED THAT COHEN HAS EXTENDED OFFICIAL INVITATION ON BEHALF BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION TO KAROLOS KOUN WHO HEADS RIVAL THEATRE GROUP HERE. REQUEST DEPARTMENT TALK WITH COHEN TO SEE IF INVITATION FOR NATIONAL THEATRE ALSO IN OFFING. NEW DIRECTOR NATIONAL THEATRE, APPOINTED POST-JUNTA, VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT PROSPECT AMERICAN TOUR.
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